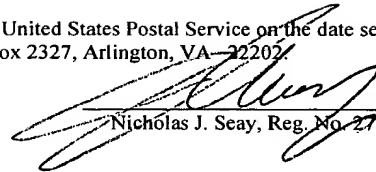


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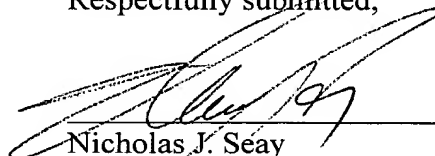
Dear Sir:

By a document mailed October 8, 2002 the Patent and Trademark Office informed the undersigned that the Amendment filed by the applicant on September 19, 2002 was defective because it failed to include a marked up version of the replacement paragraph.

Enclosed with this submission is a marked up version of the replacement paragraph. Please append that marked up version to the Amendment filed by the applicant on September 19.

Wherefore it is believed that the submission of this document completes the necessities for the Amendment filed in connection with the Request for Continued Examination of this patent application.

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